

REMARKS

The present application amends claims 5, 7, 8 and 10, cancels claims 1-4 and 12 and 13 and leaves claims 6, 9 and 11 unchanged. Therefore, the present application has pending claims 5-11.

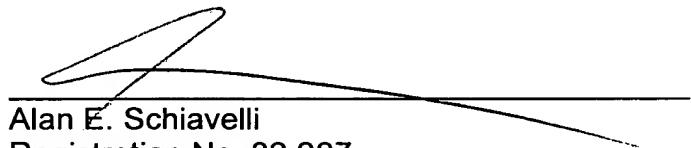
The following is in response to the March 5, 2004 Office Action in which the Examiner alleges that restriction under 35 USC §121 is required and requested Applicants to elect one of the alleged inventions.

In response to the restriction requirement Applicants hereby elect without traverse invention Group I, 5-11 for further prosecution on the merits. Accordingly, an Office Action examining claims 5-11 is respectfully requested.

To the extent necessary, the applicants petition for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136. Please charge any shortage in fees due in connection with the filing of this paper, including extension of time fees, or credit any overpayment of fees, to the deposit account of Antonelli, Terry, Stout & Kraus, LLP, Deposit Account No. 01-2135 (500.40214X00).

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